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REQUEST FOR REFUND TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Deposit Account No. 14-1140 Statement Date: September 2006

Date Posted: 09/15

Seq: 35; Posting Ref Text: 10586496

Confirmation No.:

Fee Code: 8021; \$40.00 Our Ref.: 4662-209

To whom it may concern:

Regarding the Monthly Statement of Deposit Account dated September 2006, (copy attached), we believe there is a fee related error therein, which has resulted in a charge to our Deposit Account that appears to be unwarranted. Please refer to the following explanation and issue a refund as soon as possible.

Please see the attached copy of our check No. 96084 dated September 6, 2006 in the amount of \$40.00, Transmittal Cover Letter and Recordation Form Cover Sheet filed **September 6, 2006**, wherein the Recordation Filing Fee was paid.

Thank you for your time and assistance, and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at the above number.

Very truly yours,

NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.

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ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE FORM PTO-1390 MODIFIED 4662-209 U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) 10/586.496 **CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** CLAIMED INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 30 January 2004 PCT/EP2005/000935 27 January 2005 TITLE OF INVENTION FIXING DEVICE FOR CLAMPING THE ENDS OF A SURGICAL CABLE USED FOR FIXING BONE PARTS APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US MARISSEN et al Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. .1. Ø This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f). The submission must include 3. items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The U.S. has been elected (Article 31). 4. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2). 5. WO 2005/074826 is attached hereto (pages specification, claims & abstract (claims), sheets drawings). a. h. П has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). C. 6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3) is attached hereto (pages specification, claims & abstract (claims), sheets drawings, page Certificate of Translation). has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). b. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3) **7**. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). a. have been communicated by the International Bureau. b. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. C. d. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3). 8. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4). 9. a. \boxtimes Declaration was submitted to the International Bureau during International Phase (see copies of Declaration (page Form PCT/RO/101 and Form PCT/IB/371 and first page of printed publication acknowledging receipt thereof attached). An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5). Items 11 To 20 below concern document(s) or information included: An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98. 11. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 図 12. 13. a. A FIRST preliminary amendment. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. b. An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. § 1.76. 14. 15. A substitute specification. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 16. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. 17. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). \Box A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. 20. Other items or information.

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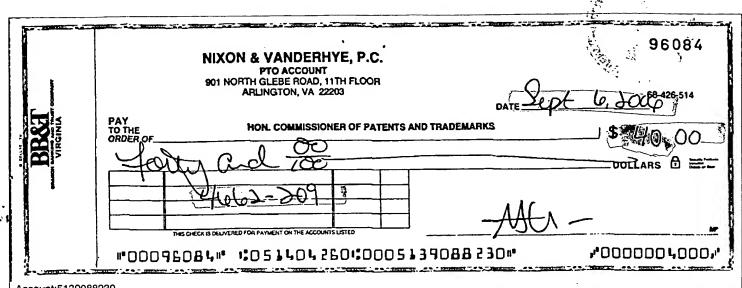
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